

Schallenberger Home and School Association Membership Meeting Agenda November 8, 2022 @ 6:30 pm Virtual WebEx Meeting

- 1. <u>Call to Order</u>: 6:35pm. Officers present: Tayesa Knight (President), Nadege Vatton Raclot (Treasurer), Elise Roussel (Secretary). Quorum present.
- 2. <u>Approval of Agenda</u>: Motion to approve agenda by Nadege Vatton-Raclot. David Clifford seconds the motion. Agenda approved unanimously as written. No opposed. No abstentions. No additional items to add to the agenda.
- 3. <u>Approval of Minutes</u> from 10-11-22: Motion to approve minutes from meeting in September by Julie Smith-Reid. David Clifford seconds the motion. Minutes as written from 10-12-22 approved unanimously. No opposed. No abstentions.
- 4. President's Report: Tayesa Knight
 - a. Ann Jasper was with us today to present the "Walk and Roll Program": Ann works for the San Jose Department of Transportation. This program is implemented in about 60 to 65 elementary middle and high schools, which represent 20% of San Jose public schools. A safety presentation occurred last May at Schallenberger. The goal is to increase the number of students walking and biking to school, in order to increase daily exercise, enjoy the school day, in a better way for our environment. It also addresses a lot of concerns from parents in terms of safety.

This is all about education, safety assembly, talking about how to cross the street, and how important it is to wear an inappropriate helmet. Many free helmets have been distributed at these schools. Hopefully a fall and spring bike skill course can be organized, after school hours, for 1:30, to educate the kids directly on how to read a traffic signal, etc, in a comfortable environment for them to learn.

The program provides treats, such as pencils and stickers, in order to push families to walk to school, and park even 2-3 blocks away. It is less stressful to park two blocks away and walk. The goal is to not be a financial burden for the school or SHSA.

Ann is working on a <u>suggested ride and walk map</u> for 30 schools, with approximate time and safe routes. If you want to participate, spread the word!

Brent Pearse shared his experience with us from a parent perspective: as a cyclist, he thinks that teaching kids about safety builds confidence, provides freedom for them, and also provides a different perspective of our community. As a secondary value, it builds important social skills that our kids need.

- b. Thank you to families and businesses for their sponsorship during the <u>Walkathon</u>: Students participation in classrooms was a bit down, but we got a good amount. We got new families and businesses for donors and sponsors this year. As for now, we got \$72,000, we are still waiting for some matchings to come in.
- c. The <u>Fall Festival</u> was very successful. It has always been designed to be a community building event, not a fundraiser event. It is an event where families can feel included, and kids have fun. The good news is it was the best Fall Festival in terms of making some money for SHSA. Some parents reported that the music was too loud, this is something to remember for next year's edition.
- d. <u>Gala Update</u>: We have a couple of leads on a chair. We do have a venue, DJ, food, some decoration, auctioneer: all of these have been paid before the pandemic. We are very lucky that our vendors have been willing to carry out with it for 3 years. If not used, we could repurpose some of them, like the food. We really do need a commitment for a gala chair, as we should already be organizing the gala.

We will be starting looking for <u>auction items</u> (mainly gift cards to restaurants) and wine donations in the next month. If anyone has some experience in planning galas, please let us know, it would be a real help for us.

- 5. <u>Principal's Report</u>: Mr. Ryan Chamberlin couldn't attend the meeting.
- 6. Fundraising: Tayesa Knight

- a. Our <u>marquee</u> is working, but there is a communication issue between the computer and the marquee. We are working on fixing it.
- b. We will have a <u>Kendra Scott</u> event in November, online and instore (Santana Row), the second weekend in December, for 3 days.. More information is coming soon.
- c. Our next <u>Eating for Education</u> will be at Jack Holder's, on Tuesday Nov15. Please bring the printed flyer.
- d. We will have a <u>Movie Night</u> on Friday, November 18. Kids have been voting in class, they had to choose between 4 movies. Dress warmly, as the windows and doors will stay opened. No drop off please! We will be selling popcorn, candies and some drinks. Bring your blankets, come in jammies, it is going to be a fun night!
- e. "Jingle All the Way": Like we did in winter 2020, we will have a hot chocolate play on getting booed, like you would do for Halloween. Here is the principle: buy 4 packs of hot cocoa and fun marshmallows from SHSA, secretly give it to someone, who will buy more for more people, to keep passing the festivity around. It will bring some fun holiday spirit and maybe some money for SHSA. More info to come soon before the Christmas winter break.

7. Communications: David Clifford

David twits everyday, so our community can be informed of everything happening at school. Please let us know what you would like to see on Twitter.

- 8. Membership: Elise Roussel Reporting Out
 - a. <u>Open positions</u>:Our priority is to find a Gala Chair or co-chair: http://shsa.info/volunteers-committees/. There are many ways to help!
 - b. We are looking for new board members. If you have any interests in <u>Board positions for 2023-2025</u>, please let us know. We will be recruiting for all board member positions, as the current board members will become foreign board members next year.

9. Secretary: Elise Roussel

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10. <u>Treasurer</u>: Nadege Vatton Raclot

We are still waiting for some Walkathon matchings. We have raised \$126,000 so far, we are halfway to keep all our <u>programs</u> for next year. We got \$700 from Restaurant nights so far, as well as \$3,500 from the Annual Fund Drive.

Our See's Candies fundraiser starts next week until December 2nd. A portion of all sales goes to SHSA. Your order will be delivered directly to your house. This fundraiser is open to all families, even outside of Schallenberger.

11. Public Comment No Public comment.

12. Adjourn 7:09pm. Next SHSA meeting 1/10/23 @ 6:30pm.

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